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I thank the Secretary-General and his team for the continued efforts and concrete gains achieved in repositioning the UNDS¹ to ensure that it delivers effectively on the ground, in support of national development priorities.

Thank you as well for the comprehensive Report on the Implementation of the QCPR² and the Report of the UNSDG Chair on the DCO³.

We align with the statements delivered on behalf of the G77 and China; and the Like-Minded Group of Countries Supporters of Middle-Income Countries.

In the interest of time, I wish to highlight the following two points:

- 1. On the SG report, we support the call for a complete revamp in the support given to middle-income countries such as the Philippines; and look forward to receiving updates on the mapping exercise to be conducted to provide an overview of the UN system's support to MICs. We also support the SG's recommendation to explore measurement of progress that go beyond the GDP to accurately capture the realities of our countries.
- 2. On the DCO report, we are pleased to see the efforts made to ensure that the RCs⁴ possess the competencies required to respond to country specificities and priorities. We also thank the DCO for the current work being done on the draft results framework and the transparent manner they have consulted Member States on this process. Strengthened leadership must fundamentally include accountability. We recommend the following to be included as success metrics: resources mobilized;

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¹ United Nations Development System (UNDS)

² Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review (QCPR)

³ Development Cooperation Office (DCO)

⁴ Resident Coordinators (RCs)

transparency in resource management; and sustainability and continuous implementation by the national government of proposed and/or pilot initiatives by the UN system.

Thank you.